

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

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Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14 of the Constitution of Texas, I hereby veto Senate Bill 124 because of the following objections:

This bill has many good features that I support, such as raising the mandatory retirement age for employees of state agencies and political subdivisions from 65 to 70 and lowers the minimum age to 18. However, it makes one departure that I object to. That provision lets a retired district judge receive retirement pay one year and practice law the next year by opting in and out of retirement. The current law states that a retired district judge may not appear as an attorney at law in any court in this state. It is obvious the unfair advantage such a person would have in practicing before a bench he may have vacated a few years before. This is one reason retired judges retirement benefits are generous and are based on a system that is not actuarially sound. Therefore, I veto Senate Bill 124.

Respectfully,

*W. P. Clements, Jr.*  
William P. Clements, Jr.  
Governor



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